NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FAX (916) 323-3018 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation Monterey District 2211 Garden Road Monterey, CA 93940

PROJECT TITLE: Lower Big Sur River Monitoring Equipment Installation

LOCATION: Andrew Molera State Park

COUNTY: Monterey

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Install satellite telemetry-linked stream-flow gauges, associated equipment to record flows, and equipment shed on the lower Big Sur River in Andrew Molera State Park to monitor river levels and ensure protection of the fishery resources. Work will install an approximately 3' high gauge mounted in the river bed on an approximately 0.5' diameter post and an approximately 6'high gauge mounted on land on an approximately 0.5' diameter post cemented 2' into the ground within a hard paperboard concrete forming tube. Construct an approximately 3.5' long X 3.5' wide X 7' tall wood equipment shed on 4' X 4' wide X 0.5' deep concrete pad and install associated monitoring equipment. Excavate an approximately 60' long by 1' deep by 6" wide trench from the gauges to the new equipment shed and install an approximately 2" diameter pipe to house monitoring equipment.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:

California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Monterey District

EXEMPT STATUS: Categorical Exemption Class: 3, 4, & 6 Section: 15303, 15304, & 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures; minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; and consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities that do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

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